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UNITED STATES MARINE AND CIVILIAN WOMAN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO MURDER WOMAN'S HUSBAND USING A GRENADE DURING "OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM"

PHOENIX, ARIZONA -- The United States Attorney's Office announces that on June 4, 2003, that a federal grand jury at Phoenix, Arizona, returned an indictment against Wendy M. Glass, DOB 11/25/69 and Chief Warrant Officer 2, United States Marine Corps, Larry A. Framness, DOB 10/31/66, both of Yuma, Arizona. The indictment charges the defendants with two counts, Conspiracy to Murder and Use of a Destructive Device, that is, a hand grenade, in connection with the conspiracy.

The indictment alleges that from on or about September 1, 2002 through on or about May 14, 2003, the defendants conspired to murder defendant Glass' husband, Chief Warrant Officer 2 James "Houston" Glass, United States Marine Corps, also from Yuma, Arizona. The indictment further alleges that the defendants made various attempts at murdering James "Houston" Glass including an attempt involving a hand-grenade, on May 14, 2003 when defendant Framness and James "Houston" Glass were on active military duty in Kuwait during "Operation Iraqi Freedom."

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The federal indictment charges the defendants with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 1117, Conspiracy to Murder, which carries a maximum penalty of life in prison and \$250,000 fine or both. The indictment also charges the defendants with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 924(c), Use of a Destructive Device in Connection with a Crime of Violence, which carries a mandatory prison sentence of 30 years and \$250,000 fine.

Mr. Charlton stressed that an indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Mr. Charlton states, "Framness is in pretrial confinement at Marine Corps Air Station in Miramar, California. Mrs. Glass will be brought before the United States Magistrate in Yuma for an Initial Appearance."

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service in Yuma, Arizona.

The prosecution is being handled by Sharon K. Sexton, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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